



STAMFORD ST GILBERT'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Our Vision

To inspire a love of learning

What an exciting week of reading it has been at St Gilbert's this week!

The children had a wonderful start to the day for World Book Day on Thursday, enjoying spending time sharing books, whilst having a bite to eat and a drink at our Reading Breakfasts. This event was very well attended by many families and the children looked absolutely amazing in all of their very creative costumes. It was lovely to hear the discussions going on at tables about both the books and the costumes that had been created.

We would like to say a very big thank you to the PTA who gave up their time and helped to organise this wonderful event.

Also, a big thank you to those parents who stayed to help tidy up at the end of the breakfasts.

DIARY DATES

- 09/03/2019 Primary Schools Cross Country Championships**
Stamford Welland Academy- Years 3,4,5 & 6. 9:45am- 11:30am
- 18/03/2019 Science Week**
18th-22nd March
- 22/03/2019 Science Open Morning for Parents**
10am-11am All Welcome
- 22/03/2019 PTA Event- Bingo**
Doors open 6:00pm- Hall- Further details below
- 25/03/2019 Parents' Evening 4pm-7pm**
Bookings to be made via Parentmail
- 26/03/2019 Parents' Evening 3:30pm-6:00pm**
Bookings to be made via Parentmail

Attendance

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS!

Each week we announce the attendance percentages for each class, recognising improvement and the class who has achieved the best attendance!

Congratulations to

FINE CLASS

*who had
100% attendance last week*

Well done to everyone who jumped, boogied and bounced their way to raising an amazing **£1,519.35** during the NSPCC Dance-a- thon in February. Brilliant!

Parents' Evenings this term are on Monday 25th & Tuesday 26th March

Bookings will open on Monday 11th March

Foundation Stage

What a busy week we have had in Foundation Stage! There has been much excitement around World Book Day, and the children have **proudly** talked about their costumes with the rest of the class, and shared the books they have brought in. The children in Tigers and Caterpillars always love sharing stories and this week has been no exception!

Also this week they have been thinking a lot about growing. They have been studying seeds: looking closely at different kinds and planting sunflower seeds outside. One child said, "Look, it's stripy!" as they planted their sunflower seed in the pot. We have been **very excited** to see that some of our bean plants have also started growing!

The children have been growing in lots of ways too: **growing in confidence** in their writing, as well as growing **friendships** as they work and play together. What a lot of growing this term!



Key Stage 1

We have had an **amazing time** this World Book Day. It was wonderful to see so many people at our Reading Breakfast and we were very grateful to the PTA for providing coffee and croissants. The children came back to school buzzing after **sharing books** with parents and it was a great way to start the day. We saw a myriad of lovely costumes and the children thoroughly **enjoyed sharing** their stories with each other later on. What a lovely way to get everyone interested in some new books!

We've had a **fascinating time** planting cress seeds in Science and watching them grow every day in different conditions. We predicted if they could survive with or without sunlight and water and photographed their development over the course of the week. The children have been **eager** to find out about germination and the journey from seed, bulb or bean into a fully grown plants.

Our chicks have continued to be a great source of excitement in school this week. Most children have even had a chance to hold and stroke one of them. The children have been **amazed** by their rapid development, and particularly by the growth of their adult feathers. They are off to their new home on Friday where they will develop into fully grown chickens in a matter of weeks. This opportunity has been such a **valuable learning experience** and also **impacted positively** on the children's well-being.



Key Stage 2

This World Book day, Years 3 and 4 have been using their creativity to come up with their own stories. They used their **imagination** to put together a structured story using 'Somebody, Wanted, But, So and Then'. Using their own characters from World Book Day, they discussed the structure of a familiar story. In groups, the children were then given several images to order and to come up with their own plot. Their **enthusiasm and love of learning** really inspired them to create thoughtful and imaginative storylines that followed 'Somebody, Wanted, But, So and Then'.

This term, Years 3 and 4 have been looking at states of matter and **investigating** the properties of solids liquids and gases. This week we discussed which objects were solids, liquids or gases and talked about their different properties and how some of them could change states. We looked at the gases found in fizzy drinks and investigated how much carbon dioxide weighed inside different fizzy drinks.



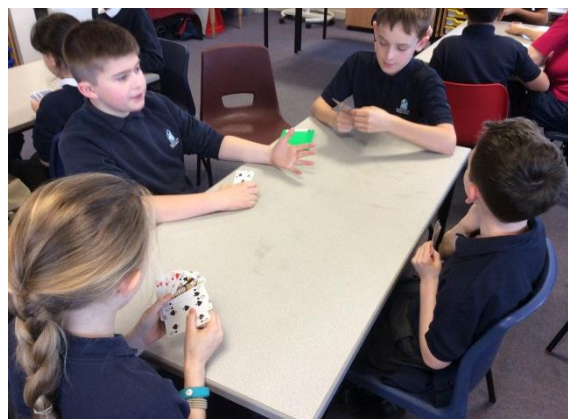
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This week in English, some of our Year 5s and 6s analysed the film clip 'Alma'. It really **ignited their imaginations**. We then used the clip as **inspiration** to write a short narrative, with a real focus on figurative language. The work the children have produced so far is of a very high standard and promises to produce a great final piece.

In Topic, the children have begun to re-create the D-day landings on a scaled map with home-made figures to represent different divisions and armies. The children look forward to finishing them off next week and learning about how the day unfolded.

On Tuesday afternoon, all of the children were lucky enough to experience a Bridge Taster session run by The Stamford Bridge Academy. The children were all fully **involved, enthusiastic and relished the opportunity** to learn a new skill. They even all took a deck of cards home with them!

A Bridge Club will be starting at St Gilbert's for Y5/6 children after the Easter holidays. Further details to follow.....



PTA

Mother's Day Gifting

Thank you so much for the Mother's Day orders: the coaster orders have now been placed. Your child's coaster will be sent home on Friday 29th March ready for Mother's Day.

Y5/6 will be given the opportunity to paint their own Mother's Day mug next week. If your child would like to make a Mother's Day mug we have extended the order deadline, please complete an order form and return it by Friday 15th March.

Thank you to everyone for supporting the Bags2School drop off on Tuesday and the 2nd Hand Book Sale today.

PTA Events

Family Bingo Night

Friday 22nd March

6pm - 8.30pm

£5 for adults including 6 bingo books

£1 for children including 1 bingo book

Tickets on sale now - please see poster below

For any PTA enquires please contact them by e-mail to stgilbertspta@outlook.com or by Facebook at St Gilbert's Parents

St. Gilbert's PTA

BINGO

Night

Friday 22nd March in the School Hall
Open from 6pm (Bingo 6.30-8.30pm)

Entry - Adults - £5 inc 6 bingo books
Kids - £1 inc 1 bingo book
entry for pre-school children free of charge

Sweet tuck shop/soft drinks/tea & coffee
available

Bring your own picnic and alcohol
Bookings can be made now via Paypal or the PTA post box.
Please include names of adults and children attending

Email stgilbertspta@outlook.com for more information

PosterMyWall.com

Colouring Competition

The children were extremely excited this morning as we announced the long-awaited results of our Jeremy Strong colouring competition! We were pleased to welcome into school our visitor, Mr Rowan Clifford, who illustrates some of Jeremy Strong's books. Mr Clifford looked long and hard at all of the entries across school and finally chose a winner and runner-up for EYFS, KS1 and KS2. This was a tricky job as all of the entries were amazing. Well done to everyone who entered. Our winning entries were:

EYFS – Lydie and Albert

KS1 – Emily and Georgianna

KS2 – Anja and Flossie

Staff – Miss Hill!



Our World Book Day Pictures



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